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**Alex. Gazette & Virginia Advertiser.**  
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**Don Platt's Testimony.**  
Before the Pacific Mail investigation committee of the House of Representatives on Friday Don Platt appeared, and under protest stated that he supposed the note for \$5,000, given by him for money borrowed from Richard B. Irwin, was paid by Lena Thompson. Thompson was going to California, where Irwin was at the time with the note. The note was sent on this city to witness, endorsed paid, and he supposed Thompson paid it.  
Witness then began to explain his previous testimony. He said he desired to correct it. In so doing he got into an argument as to the powers and duties of the committee, when he was interrupted by Mr. Dawes.

Witness—Am I right in defining the duty of the committee?  
Mr. Dawes—your duty is that if you wish to correct your testimony you may do so. We want no arguments. You can proceed with your correction.

Witness—Well, I wish to make only this correction, that I think I made a mistake in coming before this committee to vindicate myself before the public.

Witness proceeded, and stated that of the money advanced by Thompson to pay the note, some he earned and some was in the nature of a loan.

Q. What was Lena Thompson's business before Congress in 1872? A. I most positively decline to answer.

Q. What was publicly understood to be his business? A. God bless my soul, I decline to answer.

Witness did not know where the \$5,000 note was paid. When Thompson left Washington he was to take up the note then held by Irwin, in California.

Witness submitted his account with the Freedmen's Bank, showing that he deposited the \$5,000 and \$1,000 additional with the bank. He also read from the stubs of his check book, showing the payments he made. They were for paper to print the Capital on; for repairs to house; pay of poets; amusements; family expenses, &c.

Q. Had you any money transactions with any member of Congress, by which he realized any sum of money? A. I have never had any transaction with members of Congress. I consider that is all that has saved me from disgrace.

Q. Do you know of any money being paid by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to influence the vote on the Pacific Mail subsidy? A. I have my own opinion on that subject. I know nothing of my own knowledge. This I know, and it is that within twenty minutes after the Pacific Mail subsidy passed the Brazilian subsidy failed. The first had no merit and the second had. When the vote on the first measure was taken the floor was full of carpet-baggers and suspicious characters, whom I judged had been paid to vote for it.

Q. You say of this money Thompson paid the note with, some you earned and some was a loan? A. Yes, sir.

Q. How much was loaned you? A. I decline answering.

Q. Did you give any written evidence of the loan to Thompson? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Have you paid the loan? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you take any written evidence of its payment? A. I cannot answer, I am tired.

Mr. Dawes—Well, take a seat, Mr. Platt.

Witness—Oh, God bless you! I'm not tired in my legs. I am tired in my patience.

Q. Did you know that Lena Thompson, in 1872 appeared before Congress in the interest of the New India Quicksilver Mining Company? A. I decline to answer the question. I consider it as settled.

Mr. Dawes at this point informed the witness he was cleared by the committee for consultation.

**SHOCKING ACCIDENT.**—On Tuesday night James W. Ames, of Cumberland County, a brakeman on the C. & O. R. R. fell from a sleeted coal car on the track, five or six cars passing over him crushing the flesh on the inner side of one leg from the ankle to the hip. The train was stopped with the wheel on the mangled body, when the poor fellow halloed out to the engineer to "jar back" and get the wheel off him. Where the wheel stopped on him a wide gash was cut in his body. He was brought to Staunton, where it was found nothing could be done for him.

The poor fellow, still able to speak, questioned the physician as to whether he could live and desired to be told the truth about it. He was told but expressed no further concern about it. He died about 12 o'clock and was longer, have much less smell and not cruet the wick, it will be found to be very economical, to say nothing of the entire "security" in its use. It will burn in all coal oil or kerosene lamps, and, as its name indicates, will give all who use it perfect "security" in doing so. For sale by J. T. CRIGHTON & CO., No. 145 King street.

**FLOUR!** — **FLOUR!**  
60 bbls of FAMILY, EXTRA and SUPER-FINE FLOUR.  
ASA M. JANNEY'S CHOICE FAMILY FLOUR, warranted to be equal, if not to excel, any flour in America. For sale by DAVY & HARMON, No. 26.

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OF ASSORTED SIZES,  
AT REDUCED PRICES.  
For sale by J. T. CRIGHTON & SON, dec 12

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The Symptoms of Liver Complaint are uneasiness and pain in the side. Sometimes the pain is in the shoulder, and is mistaken for rheumatism. The food is eaten with loss of appetite and sickness, bowels in general constive, sometimes alternating with lax. The head is troubled with pain, and dull, heavy sensation, considerable loss of memory, accompanied with painful sensation of having left undone something which ought to have been done. Often complaining of weakness, debility, and low spirits. Sometimes many of the above symptoms attend the disease, and at other times very few of them; but the Liver is generally the organ most involved.

**THE FAVORITE HOME REMEDY.**  
Is warranted not to contain a single particle of Mercury, or any injurious mineral substance, but is

**PURELY VEGETABLE.**  
containing those Foulthorpe Roots and Herbs, which an all-wise Providence has placed in countries where Liver Diseases most prevail. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Bowels.

**Simmons' Liver Regulator, OR MEDICINE.**  
Is eminently a Family Medicine; and by being kept ready for immediate resort will save many an hour of suffering and many a dollar in time and doctors' bills.

After over Forty Years' trial it is still receiving the most unqualified testimonials to its virtues from persons of the highest character and responsibility. Eminent physicians commend it as the most

**EFFECTUAL SPECIFIC**  
for Constipation, Headache, Pain in the Shoulders, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the region of the Kidneys, despondency, gloom and forebodings of evil, all of which are the offspring of a diseased Liver.

**FOR DYSPEPSIA OR INDIGESTION.**  
Armed with this ANTIDOTE, all climates and changes of water and food may be faced with out fear. As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, RHEUMATISM, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, SICK HEADACHE, COLIC, CONSTIPATION AND BILIOUSNESS.

**IT HAS NO EQUAL.**  
It is the Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Medicine in the World!

**CAUTION!**  
Buy no powders or PREPARED SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR unless in our engraved wrapper, with Trade mark, Stamp and Signature unbroken. None other is genuine.

**J. H. ZEILIN & CO.,**  
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**SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.**

**Simmons' Liver Regulator**  
For all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Spleen.

As a Remedy in MALARIOUS FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA, MENTAL DEPRESSION, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, SICK HEADACHE, COLIC, CONSTIPATION AND BILIOUSNESS.

**IT HAS NO EQUAL.**  
FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS—WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BY

**E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.,**  
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Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax street.

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Wholesale and Retail Dealer in  
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES, PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS, GARDEN SEED, &c., &c., &c.,  
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Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded. Orders will receive prompt attention.  
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PURE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS, PAINTS, VARNISHES AND OILS.  
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No. 107 King street.  
Prompt attention given to orders and inquiries from the country. jan 24

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aug 2—4f

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JANNEY & CO.,  
DEALERS IN  
PURE DRUGS, LEWIS' WHITE LEAD, Paints, Oils and Varnishes,  
FRENCH WINDOW GLASS & PUTTY.  
No. 145 King street.  
Orders and Inquiries from the country promptly attended to. sep 28—4f

**FOR COUGHS, COLDS, &c., &c.**—Ball's Cough Syrup, Harewell's Cough Remedy, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Tyler's Compound Syrup of Gum Arabic, Wishart's Pine Tree Tar Cordial, Magie Balm, Jayne's Expectorant, Powers' Compound Syrup of Tolu and Wild Cherry, Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar and Piso's Cure, at

**WARFIELD & HALL'S,**  
oct 29  
Corner Prince and Fairfax streets.

**MR. THOMAS B. HUDSON** is admitted as a partner in his business from this date. The business will be conducted under the style of E. J. MILLER & CO. With many thanks to my old customers for the liberal patronage extended to me, I ask a continuance of the same to the new firm. jan 1—eom

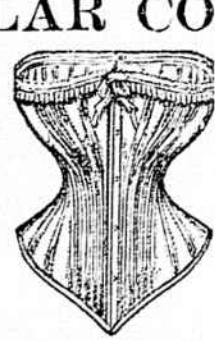
**FREDERICKSBURG AND WINCHESTER WOOLLENS.**  
Received to-day another lot of those popular goods, at low prices, at \$8 King st.  
dec 18  
D. F. BRASHEAR, H. B. HOOMES.

**SCALES**, in great variety, embracing Union Scales, at low prices, at \$8 King st.  
nov 23  
J. T. CRIGHTON & SON.

**JUST RECEIVED**—A large supply of Hair Brushes and Combs at  
dec 4  
W. F. CRIGHTON'S.

**FANCY GOODS.**  
Lockwood, Huffy & Taylor,  
933 Pennsylvania Avenue,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SELL THE BEST

**DOLLAR CORSET**



IN THE CITY.

Dress Makers recommend it as being the best Corset to fit a dress, because it is cut in such a manner that the front and back seams fit like seams to a dress.

And it is superior to any other Corset now in use, because its peculiar style of cutting gives sufficient fullness at the bosom, without folding over the hips, is longer front and back than ordinary Corsets, and in fact is the only Corset cut in this form.

In addition to the DOLLAR CORSET will be found a large assortment of other makes at the following prices—\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.

**HOSIERY,**  
FOR LADIES, CHILDREN AND INFANTS.

Our stock of Hosiery is large and well assorted in quality, styles and prices. For children you can find the half, three-quarter and extra-long Hose in English, French and American manufacture. Brown and White Balbriggan, Brown and White Lisle Thread, Chino and Pearl Silk. Particular attention is called to a new stock of Children's Fancy Cotton and Merino Hosiery, just received.

For ladies—an elegant assortment in Balbriggan, Lisle Thread, Silk, Merino and Fancy Hose.

**Under Vests and Drawers,**  
For Ladies, Misses, Children and Infants, in high neck and long sleeves, high neck and short sleeves, low neck and short sleeves, with Drawers to match in all sizes.

**Hand-made Worsted Work.**  
In this department can be found Infants' Socks, Mittens, Shirts, Suspenders, Over Drawers, in white and colored, of the newest styles.

Every lady should examine our stock of the above mentioned goods, before purchasing elsewhere.  
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STOCK, EXCHANGE AND COLLECTION BROKER.

Will deal in Gold and Silver Coin, State, City and Railroad Securities.

Will execute orders for any Stocks or Bonds on the Stock Boards of New York or Baltimore on commission.

Virginia Coupons, receivable for taxes, for sale.

Agent for the MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO. of New York. jan 2

**BURKE & HERBERT,**  
Dealers in  
GOLD, GOVERNMENT BONDS, LOCAL STOCKS, AND ALL FIRST-CLASS RAILROAD BONDS and other good investment securities.

Will have for sale  
VIRGINIA COUPONS, receivable for taxes, ALEXANDRIA CORPORATION SIX PER CENT BONDS.

Any information in regard to investments cheerfully given. my 21

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VIRGINIA SASH, DOOR AND FRAME FACTORY  
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N. E. COR. FAIRFAX AND QUEEN STS.

An assortment of  
READY-MADE WORK  
constantly on hand, such as  
DOORS, SASHES, BLINDS, FRAMES, MOULDINGS, BRACKETS, NEWELS, BALUSTERS, &c., &c.

Will buy and trade for Walnut and Ash Logs.  
RISSELL & HOOGE,  
feb 10  
Alexandria, Virginia.

**B. F. PEAKE & CO.,**  
(Successors to J. & W. Wallis, Son & Co.)  
DEALERS IN  
DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, PAINTS, HARDWARE, LEADS, OILS, CEMENT, CALCINED PLASTER, &c.,  
No. 187 King street,  
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feb 2-4f

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A new lot of beautiful GERMAN ACCORDIONS; also FRENCH do.; MUSICAL BOXES, HARMONICAS, FINE GUITARS, VIOLINS, BANJOS, TAMBOURINES, FLUTES, FLAGOLETS, Drums, Zithers, Fine Music Fuses, &c.

A new lot of Guitar and Violin Strings, of all grades, wholesale and retail. Popular New Songs and Pieces received as soon as published. Any Music published in the United States furnished on short notice.

New and second-hand Pianos and Organs for sale or rent.  
2nd—Organs and Pianos tuned, repaired and packed. Call at  
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**GRAHAM FLOUR,**  
Made from selected and delectable wheat  
BY A NEW PROCESS,  
and guaranteed free from all impurities or adulteration.

**GEORGE R. HILL & CO.,**  
POTOMAC HOMINY MILLS,  
nov 12  
Alexandria, Virginia.

**PICTURES, FRAMES, &c.,**  
—AT—  
**CLARKE'S,**  
158 KING STREET.

**FAMILY FLOUR.**  
Jas. S. Welch, in sacks and bbls, Stonewall, Meadow Mills, Virginia Valley Mills, A. S. Hottel; also Extra, Super, Fine and Middlings, in store and for sale by  
DELAPLANE & FOWLE,  
dec 19  
27 King street.

**2000 LIVERPOOL SALT.**  
SACKS & G. A. SALT.  
ALSO,  
1500 SACKS FINE SALT—in full bright sacks—just arrived and for sale at lowest market rates from vessel or store.  
dec 4  
HOOE & JOHNSTON.

**RAISINS—LAYERS** and Seedless RAISINS just received.  
nov 13  
R. B. LAWSON & CO.

**DRY GOODS.**  
IMMENSE BARGAINS IN  
**DRY GOODS**  
AT PRETZELDER & BENDHEIM'S,  
NO. 141 KING STREET.

Black Gro. Grain Silk, at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Irish Poplins, at 87c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.

Pure Mohair Alpaca, worth 75c, at 50c.

Best Alpaca, worth 37 1/2c, at 25c.

All-wool Cashmeres, worth 75c, at 60c.

Beautiful line of Waterproofs, at 87 1/2c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.

Immense stock of Camels, Serges, Diagonals, &c., &c.

Black Cashmeres, Merinos, Bombazine, Tames and Drap d'Ete a specialty.

Cassimere for Men and Boys, from 40c up.

Large assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Underwear.

Ladies' Merino Vests, worth \$1, at 62 1/2c.

Gents' Undershirts, worth 75c, at 50c.

All-wool Blankets, worth \$8, at \$5.

Best yard-wide Bleached Cottons at 12 1/2c.

Shawls—India, Paisley, Broche, Merino and all-wool fancy.

Ladies' and Misses' Furs at less than actual value.

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Also our large supply of BLACK DRESS GOODS—Alpaca, Rich Mohairs, Crues, &c.

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MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHS—Cloths, Suits, Cassimeres, Tweeds, Over-coatings, French Serges, &c.

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DOMESTICS—Cottons, Calicoes, Canton Flannel, Tickings, Shirting Strips, Denims, with a full supply of goods in our line, at the lowest cash prices.

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Fourth Trip North this Season—Choice Goods for Christmas Holidays—Dec. 14, '74.

We invite general attention to our large and attractive stock of Staple and Domestic Dry Goods, purchased cheap, and will be sold at popular prices.

Notice is given to country merchants that we open today and to-morrow some 500 pieces fast-colored and new style PRINTS, varying in prices from 7 1/2c to 10c. Also Blankets, Flannels, Linseys, Tickings, Road and Domestic Dry Goods, of every description.

Our retail stock embraces choice Worsted Dress Goods at 25c, elegant all-wool Plaids, fine and all-wool Cashmeres of new shades, Colored Mohairs and Balenois, very superior goods; high lustre Black Silks, a great bargain; Navy Blue and Black Waterproofs, very popular; Black Alpaca and Mohair a specialty.

**D. F. BRASHEAR,**  
H. B. HOOMES,  
dec 14  
109 King st., Alexandria, Va.

**JUST RECEIVED**  
A beautiful assortment of  
LADIES' NECK TIES, of all colors,  
LADIES' AND GENTS' HANDKERCHES,  
SEEDLE BOOKS and DOMESTIC DRY  
SPRILL COTTON CASES, of all styles.  
dec 10  
D. F. WITMER CO.

**CARPET'S, HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS, &c.**  
J. M. STEWART has now in store, and is constantly making additions thereto, a splendid stock of BRUSSELS and INGRAIN CARPETS, both English and Domestic, of the best makes.

ALL CLOTHS, of all widths.  
OIL CLOTH RUGS, VELVET and BRUSSELS do.

COCOA MATTINGS, for churches and public halls.

LACE CURTAINS, Bed Spreads, Table Domestics, Napkins, Fruit Cakes, Towels, &c.

Also a new style of WALNUT and GILT CORNICE—total of which the attention of purchasers is invited.

**NEW FALL GOODS.**  
J. M. STEWART  
Has opened a large assortment of  
DRESS GOODS.

Black Gro. Grain Silks in large assortment, from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per yard; Fine Striped Silks, every hue; Lyons Black Silk Velvets for sacks; all-wool Paris Dress Goods; Camels' Hair Diagonals; Serges; large assortment of Black and Colored Cashmeres; superior Black Drap d'Ete; do. 8-4 wide for Shawls; Black Yak Laces and Bugle Trimmings; Imported Cloaks and English Jackets; Prints, and a great variety of Domestic Goods, Irish Linens, &c.

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RECEIVED THIS 7th INSTANT.

Our very rapid sales in this line assures us that they must be the style to suit this market, and at the right price.

**D. F. WITMER CO.**  
nov 7

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Twelve hundred pairs of Misses' and Children's Stockings to be sold very cheap.

This is a lot of Hosiery that we bought at a closing out sale, and will be sold by us accordingly.

nov 5

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The Latest Styles.  
A large line just opened. Call and see them.

dec 22  
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**CHEAP KERSEYS AND FULL CLOTHS**  
Just received at  
dec 31  
D. F. WITMER CO'S.

**FLOUR!** — **FLOUR!**  
200 bbls Oceanic choice Family Flour.  
500 bbls C. & Weston's celebrated Family Flour.  
50 bbls C. C. Hollingsworth's choice Family Flour.  
150 bbls Oceanic high grade Extra Flour.  
120 bbls Oakland choice Extra Flour.  
50 bbls Champion choice Extra. For sale by  
jan 2  
WASHINGTON & BRO.

**NOTICE.**  
We have a large stock of  
**Boys' & Youtbs' Calf & Kip Boots**  
which will be sold at PRIME COST in order to reduce stock. All in want will do well to call at 74 King street.

dec 8  
W. B. WADDEY.

**HUMAN HAIR.**  
Human Hair Coronet Braid, \$1.  
Human Hair Braid, 30 inches long, \$2.  
Human Hair Braid, 36 inches long, \$2.50 and \$3.  
227-COMBINGS made up in any style in the best manner. Wholesale and retail at  
nov 10  
FERGUSON & BRO'S, Hair Depot,  
Opposite Scepta Hall.

**RAISING SUN STOVE POLISH**—"A thing of beauty is a joy forever." For sale at  
dec 12  
W. F. BROOKES.

**GROCERIES.**  
**SAMUEL J. REED,**  
**CHEAP FAMILY GROCER,**  
No. 74 South Fairfax st.,  
Begs leave to call the attention of the public to the fact that he has now on hand—

**CHOICE FAMILY BACON,**  
**PURPLE LEAF LARD,** put up in small packages expressly for family use.

**MINCE MEAT.**  
**SAUSAGE MEAT**—all of his own manufacture—which cannot be surpassed. Call and try them.

Also a large supply of **CHOICE FAMILY GROCERIES, FRESH ROLL BUTTER, and POULTRY**, of all kinds, received daily and a fine assortment of **CHOICE MEATS.** dec 17-4f

**CHOICE GROCERIES.**  
The attention of my customers and the public generally is respectfully called to a large line of choice goods, such as—

**RAISINS, CURRANTS, CITRON, PRESERVED PEELIES, CAUSAUGE MEAT**—all of his own manufacture—which cannot be surpassed. Call and try them.

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